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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 3087.00017	FOR FURTHER ACTION <small>see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.</small>	
International application No. PCT/US05/08973	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 18 March 2005 (18.03.2005)	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 19 March 2004 (19.03.2004)
Applicant DETROIT R&D, INC.		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 4 sheets.



It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the Report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.



The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. ☐

With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box No. II)

3. ☒ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box No. III)

4. With regard to the **title**,



the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.



the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,



the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.



the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____



as suggested by the applicant.



as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.



as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

b. ☒

none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
 2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
 3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
 4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1-7
- Remark on Protest ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC(7) : C12M 1/34, 3/00 US CL : 435/287.2, 435/7.1, 436/518, 422/68.1 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC		
B. FIELDS SEARCHED Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) U.S. : 435/287.2, 435/7.1, 436/518, 422/68.1 Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)		
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	US 2002/0072121 A1 (LAM et al.) 13 June 2002 (13.06.2002), p12, paragraph [0138], lines 9-13	4
Y	US 6,130,077 (YUE et al.) 10 Oct 2000 (10.10.2000), column 22, lines 30-40 and column 31, lines 22-40	2-4
Y	US 2002/0127623 A1 (MINSHULL et al.) 12 Sept 2002 (12.09.2002), p15, paragraph [0161] & [0163], p21, paragraph [0226] & p32, paragraph [0291]	1-7
X	US 2002/0055186 A1 (BARRY et al.) 9 May 2002 (09.05.2002), p9, paragraph [0084], p10, paragraph [0104]-p11, paragraph [105]	1, 5, and 7
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Y		2-4 and 6
<input type="checkbox"/> Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. <input type="checkbox"/> See patent family annex.		
* Special categories of cited documents: "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance "E" earlier application or patent published on or after the international filing date "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed "T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art "&" document member of the same patent family		
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BOX III. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

Group I, claim(s) 1-7, drawn to an antibody microarray screen comprising a substrate, monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies.

Group II, claim(s) 8-11, drawn to an antibody microarray screen comprising a substrate and polyclonal antibodies.

Group III, claim(s) 12-15, drawn to an antibody microarray screen comprising a substrate and monoclonal antibodies.

Group IV, claim(s) 16 and 17, drawn to a method of manufacturing an antibody microarray.

Group V, claim(s) 18-20, drawn to an internal control molecule.

Group VI, claim(s) 21, drawn to a method of determining optimal spotting concentrations of IgG.

Group VII, claim(s) 22-25, drawn to a method to increase a detectable signal with microarray analysis using an intensive molecular signal.

Group VIII, claim(s) 26, drawn to a method to increase using conjugated dye and a reporter molecule to a protein.

Group IX, claim(s) 27-30, drawn to a method of producing an antibody microarrays.

Groups I-IX has the special technical feature of an antibody microarray.

The special technical feature in all groups is the antibody microarray. This element cannot be a special technical feature under PCT Rule 13.2 because the element is shown in the prior art. U.S. PG Pub. No. US 2002/0055186 (Barry et al., Published May 9, 2002) teaches the method of making and using antibody microarray to detect peptides (p10, paragraph [0104]).